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NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION TOWN OF REXFORD, MONTANA SRF #: C304225 TOWN OF REXFORD WASTEWATER TREATMENT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

June 23, 2014

The Montana Department of Environmental Quality has reviewed the above named project. The purpose of this project is to replace or upgrade several pieces of equipment as soon as soon possible at the existing wastewater treatment facility. The town's wastewater treatment facility is currently not operating because of the failed equipment. The town's raw wastewater is currently being directed to a drainfield for treatment. The drainfield is probably undersized for the current load and its continued use could contaminate one of the town's water supply wells. Equipment that needs to be replaced immediately include: the lift station pumping system; the aeration blowers, motors and piping; and water level regulating valve between the lagoons. A fence and signage will be installed around the perimeter of the existing spray irrigation site designating that reclaimed wastewater is applied to the area. The cell liner will also be tested for leakage. All the proposed improvements will be completed within the current operating site of the existing wastewater treatment facility which is located on U.S Forest Service ground. The work will be completed this summer.

Pursuant to ARM 17.40.318, the Department has concluded that the proposed project meets the Categorical Exclusion criteria of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the Montana Environmental Policy Act (MEPA). The Categorical Exclusion may be revoked if the project is not initiated within the time period specified in the Preliminary Engineering Report, a new or modified application is submitted, new evidence demonstrates serious local or environmental issues exist, or state, local, tribal, or federal laws are violated.

The documentation for the Categorical Exclusion is available for public review at the following locations:

Department of Environmental Quality State Revolving Fund Loan Program 1520 East Sixth Avenue Helena, MT 59601

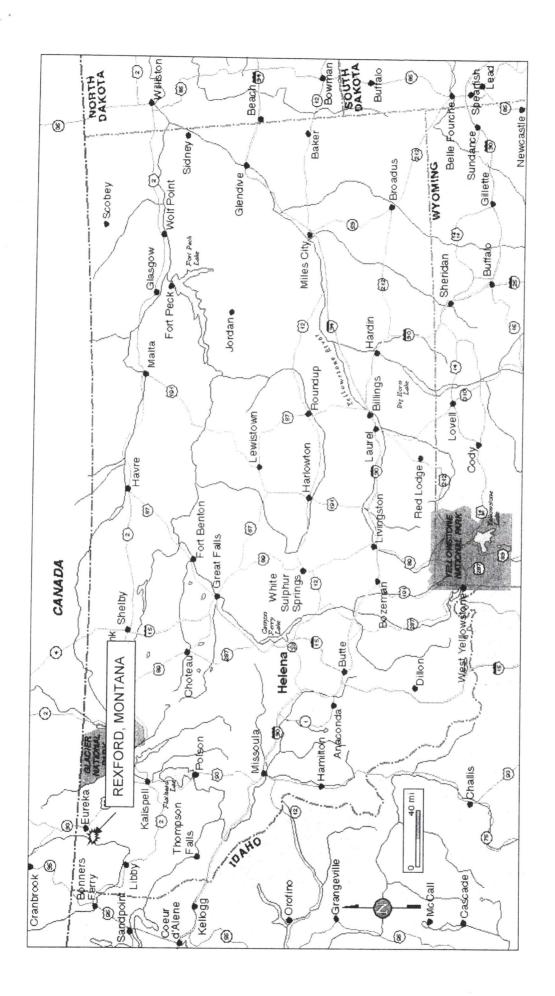
Town of Rexford 142 Gateway Street Rexford, MT 59930

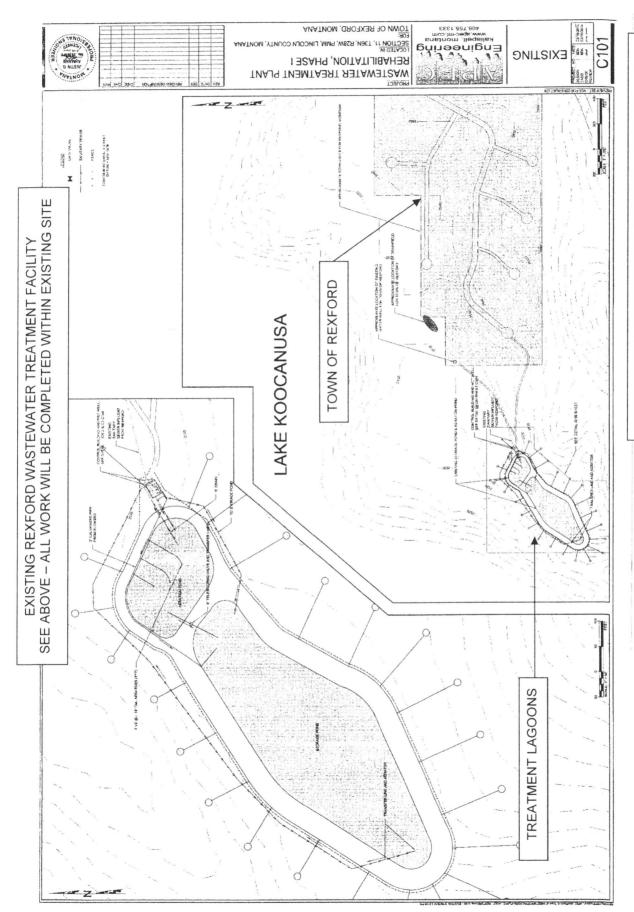
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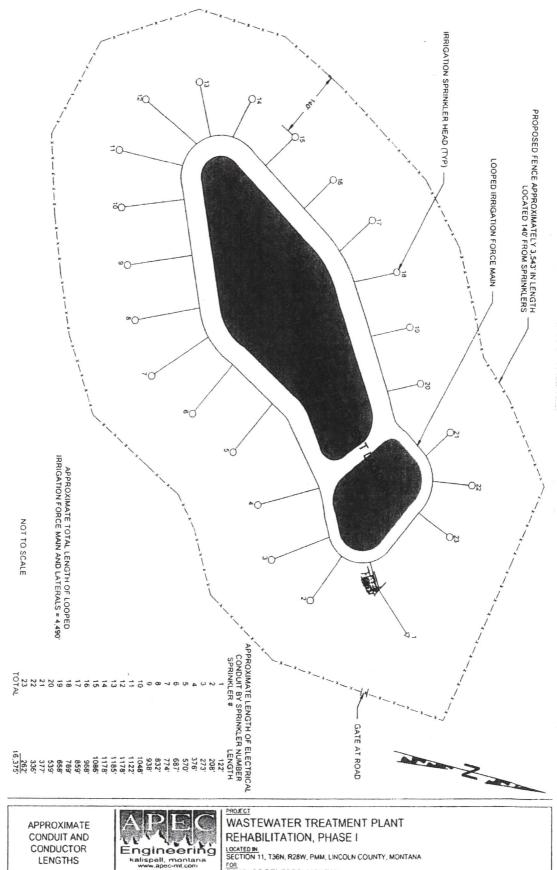
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